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SUBJECT: ROSEAU RIVER

1. SUMMARY: QUESTION OF ROSEAU RIVER NEGOTIATIONS RAISED IN  
HOUSE OF COMMONS AGAIN. GOC REPLIED IT WOULD LOOK INTO  
MATTER. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS QUESTION  
PERIOD, JANUARY 24, REGARDING ROSEAU RIVER PROJECT AND  
NEGOTIATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PAYMENT OF MITIGATING  
WORKS:

3. QUOTE: MR. JAKE EPP (PROVENCHER): MR. SPEAKER, I SHOULD  
LIKE TO DIRECT MY QUESTION TO THE PRIME MINISTER FOLLOWING A  
QUESTION I ASKED HIM LAST DECEMBER 7 WITH REGARD TO THE  
ROSEAU RIVER PROJECT IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA AND ITS  
EFFECT ON THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FROM ST. BONIFACE HAS ALSO DIRECTED THIS  
QUESTION TO THE PRIME MINISTER. THE IJC SPECIFICALLY RECOMMENDED  
THAT MITIGATING WORKS TAKE PLACE IN MANITOBA PRIOR TO THE  
COMPLETION OF THE WORK IN MINNESOTA. AT THAT TIME THE PRIME  
MINISTER INDICATED TO ME THAT HE WOULD BE MAKING INQUIRIES AS TO  
THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THE PAYMENT FOR THESE MITIGATING WORKS.  
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HAVE THESE NEGOTIATIONS TAKE PLACE AND, IF SO, WHAT IS THE  
RESULT?

4. HON. ROMEO LEBLANC (MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT): MR.  
SPEAKER, I WILL HAVE TO CHECK THE FILE AGAIN AND ALSO CHECK  
WITH MY COLLEAGUE, THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL  
AFFAIRS. CERTAINLY, THE IJC REPORT SUPPORTS THE CANADIAN

CONTENTION THAT SOME OF THESE WORKS ARE UNDESIRABLE.

5. MR. EPP: CAN THE MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT INDICATE WHETHER NEGOTIATIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN US AND CANADIAN OFFICIALS AND WHETHER MITIGATING WORKS AND THE SCHEDULING AND PAYMENT FOR THEM HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED UPON?

6. MR. LEBLANC (ESTMORELAND-KENT): THE REPORT WAS OFFICIALLY TRANSMITTED TO THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ONLY SOME DAYS AGO. I WILL CHECK TO ASCERTAIN WHAT CONTACTS HAVE CONTINUED SINCE THEN. END QUOTE.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT ON ROSEAU RIVER PROJECT.  
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